

REMARKS

Prior to entry of this amendment, claims 1-5, 7-18, and 20-23 are currently pending in the subject application. By this amendment, claims 12 and 21-23 are amended, claims 24 and 25 are added, and claims 1-5, 7-18, and 20-25 are presented to the Examiner for further consideration on the merits.

In the outstanding Office action, the Examiner placed a formal election requirement on the claims as follows:

Species I, Figures 4 and 5, are associated with claims 1-5, 7-18 and 20; and Species II, Figures 2 and 3 are associated with claims 21-23.

The species are independent or distinct because each of the various disclosed species details a mutual exclusive characteristic of:

Species I, Method/system using dual keys in a wireless local area network (LAN) system.
Species II, A wireless terminal using cryptography.

The Examiner has required that the applicants elect a single disclosed species for prosecution (i.e., Species I or Species II), and indicated that no claim is generic.

Applicants hereby elect Species I, with traverse. By the instant amendment, claims 21 and 23 have been amended to more closely parallel claims 1 and 12, respectively. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that consideration of all of the claims does not place an undue burden on the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of this application is earnestly solicited, and an early and favorable further action upon all the claims is hereby requested.

If the Examiner believes that additional discussions or information might advance the prosecution of the instant application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below to expedite resolution of any outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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PETITION and
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT CHARGE AUTHORIZATION

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